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SUBJ: PRESIDENT MARCOS APPROVES ADDITIONAL RICE EXPORTS

TOFAS 60.

1. LOCAL PRESS CARRIED ARTICLE THAT PRESIDENT MARCOS HAS APPROVED EXPORTATION OF 100,000 TONS OF RICE WITHIN THE NEXT TWO OR THREE MONTHS. THE APPROVAL WAS GRANTED FOLLOWING ASSURANCES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE THAT THE PHILIPPINES WILL HAVE ABOUT 290,000 TONS OF RICE IN EXCESS OF ITS 90-DAY RESERVE SUPPLY BY JUNE 30.

2. ACCORDING TO SEC. TANCO, THREE COUNTRIES HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN IMPORTING RICE FROM THE PHILIPPINES: MALAYSIA 50,000 TONS, SINGAPORE 10,000 TONS, AND KENYA 18,000 TONS.

3. SEC. TANCO'S REPORT PLACED 1977/78 PRODUCTION AT 7.04 MILLION TONS OF PALAY (4,294,400 TONS OF MILLED RICE), SLIGHTLY ABOVE OUR CURRENT ESTIMATE. DUE TO CONTINUING BELOW NORMAL RAINFALL, WE ARE HOLDING OUR ESTIMATE AT 4,203,000 TONS OF MILLED RICE. IN ANY EVENT, UNLESS THE CURRENT CROP IS SHARPLY BELOW PRESENT ESTIMATES, THE PHILIPPINES CAN EXPORT 100,000 TONS AND STILL
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MAINTAIN ITS 90-DAY RESERVE STOCK.
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